

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Lunches

Don't forget the **FREE LUNCH** program every Wednesday and Friday from 11:00—11:30am beginning Wednesday, June 3rd and ending Friday, August 7th.

July Scripture Challenge

If you haven't picked up your July Scripture Challenge yet, they are on the Welcome Center in the Narthex or in the lobby by the church office. It's never too late to start!!

We Want Pictures!!

If anyone likes to draw and/or color, please have them put their name on the paper and draw or color for us and leave it in Jaicob Arndt's mailbox across from the office. Thanks!!

Faith Over Fear!

Sisters in Christ will be hosting a day of fellowship, worship and inspiration. There will be uplifting music and a dynamic message from Sarah Robinette. It will be held Saturday, August 15, 2026 from 8:00am-3:00pm at Evergreen Christian Church in Salem, IL You can purchase tickets by calling 618-548-2625.

Thank You!

We received a very nice "thank you" from Julia Crowe, thanking us for the card, message and the beautiful prayer shawl.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, July 15

10:00am, Endowment Meeting

Thursday, July 16

6:30pm, Trustees Meeting

Friday, July 10

8:00am, Family Center Reserved

Saturday, July 18

12:00pm, Family Center Reserved

Happy Birthday

14—Larry LeFevre

15—Mary Ellen Banal
Cole Tarkington

16—Kendra Criag
Ty McNary

Cade Opfer

18—Nicolas Rosborough

Happy Anniversary!

13—Mitch & Sarah Johnson (13 years)

16—Isaac & Megan Grapperhaus (10 years)
Zac & Kristin Stombaugh (15 years)

*Why didn't they play cards on the Ark?
Because Noah was standing on the deck!*

First United Methodist Church Vandalia, Illinois

Pastor Curtis Flake

July 12, 2026

9:30 am



First United Methodist Church

JULY 12, 2026

Children start the service in the Sanctuary and leave for Kingdom Kids after Children’s Moments.

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn It’s Me, It’s Me, O Lord UMH 352

*Opening Prayer

Proclamation

Children’s Moments Gene Schwarm

Scripture Luke 18: 9-14 (NLT)

Sermon “Who Will Be Exalted” Gene Schwarm

Table

Offertory Hymn They’ll Know We Are Christians TFWS 2223

*Doxology Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 95

Joys & Concerns Alan Lurkins

Pastoral & Lord’s Prayer

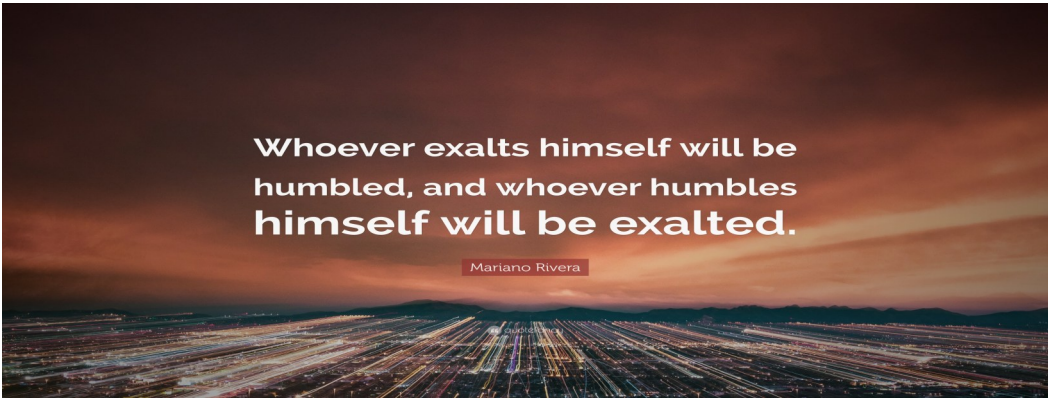
Sending Forth

*Closing Hymn I Surrender All UMH 354

*Benediction

Postlude

* Indicates stand if you are able.



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Worship Leaders

Greg Fulk/Rand Craycroft, **Head Ushers**
Usher
George Burnam, **Acolyte**
Bill & Kim Warner, **Greeters**
John Burnam, **Liturgist**,
Praise Team Leader
Taryn Flake, **Traditional Music Director**
Addi Flake, **Song Leader**
Max Durbin, **Bus Driver**
Deb Durbin, **Bus Rider**
Rand Craycroft, **Video Tech**
Rick Eyman, **Sound Tech**
Barb Paine, **Offering Collector**
Trisha Miller, **Children’s Ministry Coordinator**
Trisha Miller, **Kingdom Kids Leader**
Jaicob Arndt, **Pro Presenter Slides**



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